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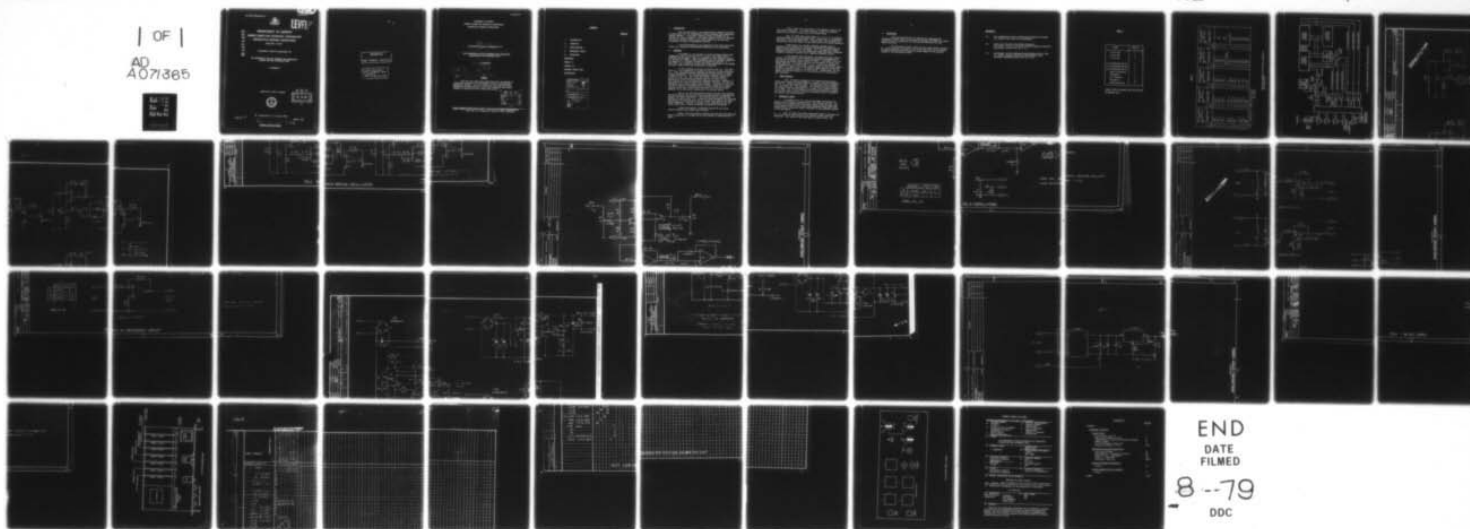
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SUMMARY

This unit was constructed specifically for the purpose of testing and calibrating the Aerodynamics Division Airborne Data Acquisition Package. The unit consists of sine wave generators, modulators and miscellaneous circuits which generate test signal outputs for checking the data acquisition system.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

The unit described in this memorandum was designed and built in conjunction with the Aerodynamics Division Airborne Data Acquisition Package (ADADAP). It provides a means by which the ADADAP can be checked for correct operation. The output signals of the unit simulate the various analogue signals which would normally be derived from transducers on board an instrumented aircraft.

A brief description of the operation of the unit and circuit details are included in the following sections of this memorandum.

## 2. OPERATION

The ADADAP (1) was designed to record analogue signals from transducers, some of which give a d.c. output, while others give a modulated 400 Hz output. This unit supplies all the necessary signals to simulate the output of these transducers and also provides a positive and negative d.c. reference voltage for calibration purposes; in particular, the calibration of the conditioning amplifiers in the ADADAP for gain, offset, drift and reliability of operation.

A block diagram of the unit is shown in Fig. (1). The sine waves at preset frequencies are generated using Wein Bridge oscillators (2). These sinusoidal outputs simulate the varying outputs of direct coupled transducers. The circuitry employed to produce these signals is shown in Fig. (2). One of the Wein Bridge circuits produces a 400 Hz sine wave which was originally used as a carrier and was modulated by each of the other three frequency sinusoids. However, in the aircraft for which the ADADAP was designed, the 400 Hz 115 volts is generated using a single phase rotary inverter. Therefore in this unit the 400 Hz carrier is generated with an aircraft single phase rotary inverter rather than a solid state oscillator so as to more nearly simulate the actual carrier conditions of an aircraft system.

Each of the three sinusoidal signals mentioned above modulate the 400 Hz carrier and the three resulting signals serve to simulate the signals from Linear Variometers. The circuitry used to provide this function is shown in Fig. (3). A built-in Linear Variometer (LV) provides the facility for modulating the 400 Hz carrier other than at the three fixed frequencies. Also the LV output is more representative of the actual signal from a similar transducer installed in an aircraft.

A Three Wire Synchro. Transmitter powered by the rotary inverter produces yet another type of signal.

Table 1 lists the signals available from the unit and these are given a type number (1 through 11) for the purpose of identification in Table 2.

Table 2 shows the connections of the signals to each of the five output connectors. It is seen from Fig. 1 that two different signals can be placed on some pins of the output plugs.

Fig. (1) shows that signal types, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9 and 11 can be switched to the distribution board. Signal type 7 is permanently available on the distribution board. Signals type 8 and 10 bypass the distribution board and connect to allocated pins on the output connectors.

Signal type 9 is a bipolar reference voltage which is available at the distribution board for the purpose of calibrating the direct coupled amplifiers in the ADADAP. Fig. (4) shows the voltage reference circuit which uses two temperature stabilized LM399 integrated circuits to provide a positive and a negative reference voltage.

A few seconds after switch-on, the three sine waves (types 1, 2 and 3) are available at the distribution board and consequently on the pins of the output plugs as shown on Table 2. The delay is for the Wein Bridge Oscillators (which provide the sine waves) to attain full output amplitude. If signals type 4, 5, 6, 7 and 11 are required, it is necessary to turn on the rotary inverter using the front panel switch provided. For signal type 10, an external signal needs to be fed into the two connectors provided on the front panel. Specifically, for the ADADAP this external signal is a 70 Hz sine wave of 20 volts peak-to-peak amplitude.

### 3. POWER SUPPLIES

Fig. (5) shows a standard  $\pm 5$  volt supply printed circuit board used to power the three modulator circuits, sine wave generators and the d.c. voltage reference board. An additional +28 volt supply Fig. (6) powers the rotary inverter. The internal starting current of the rotary inverter is approximately 1.2 amps. with a running current of 0.6 amps. The +28 volt supply contains large capacitors to supply the initial surge in current without a significant drop in voltage at the input to the rotary inverter.

### 4. MECHANICAL LAYOUT

A standard 483 X 177 X 418 mm instrument case houses the printed circuit boards, transformers etc. that make up the unit. All circuits are on standard M8 size printed circuit cards and slide into 56 pin Cannon printed circuit board edge connectors along guide rails. Printed circuit boards are easily accessible via the removable section of the back panel.

Fig. (7) shows the general mechanical layout of the unit and Fig. (8) shows the inter-wiring of the printed circuit board edge connectors. The layout of the front panel is shown in Fig. (9).



5. CONCLUSIONS

This unit has proved to be valuable for simulating the transducers outputs which are required for checking the ADADAP for correct operation and for calibrating the conditioning amplifiers for gain, offset and drift.

The distribution board inside the unit gives greater flexibility, in that most of the outputs to the front panel plugs can be changed by simply unsoldering and reconnecting those outputs to the required signals on the distribution board.

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TABLE 1

SIGNAL	TYPE NO.
1.6 Hz sine	1
3.0 Hz sine	2
5.8 Hz sine	3
1.6 Hz Modulated 400 Hz	4
3.0 Hz Modulated 400 Hz	5
5.8 Hz Modulated 400 Hz	6
Three Wire Synchro.	7
Temperature	8
D.C. Reference	9
Tachometer	10
Linear Variometer	11

SIGNAL OUTPUTS AVAILABLE FROM THE TEST AND  
CALIBRATION UNIT.

TABLE 2

CHASSIS MOUNTING PLUG 1 TYPE KPT 00A14 19P		CHASSIS MOUNTING PLUG 2 TYPE KPT 00A14 19P		CHASSIS MOUNTING PLUG 3 TYPE KPT 00A14 19P		CHASSIS MOUNTING PLUG 4 TYPE KPT 00A14 19P		CHASSIS MOUNTING PLUG 5 TYPE KPT 00A14 19P	
Pin	SIGNAL TYPE	Pin	SIGNAL TYPE	Pin	SIGNAL TYPE	Pin	SIGNAL TYPE	Pin	SIGNAL TYPE
A	1 & 9*	A	1 & 9 $\Delta$	A	11 & 6	A	11 & 6	A	7
B	GND	B	GND	B	GND	B	GND	B	7
C	1 & 9*	C	2 & 9 $\cdot$	C	11 & 4	C	11 & 5	C	GND
D	GND	D	GND	D	GND	D	GND	D	7
E	2 & 9*	E	3 & 9 $\cdot$	E	11 & 4	E	11 & 4	E	7
F	GND	F	GND	F	GND	F	GND	F	GND
G	2 & 9*	G	3 & 9 $\cdot$	G	11 & 4	G	400 Hz (From Rot. Inverter)	G	10
H	GND	H	GND	H	GND	H	GND	H	GND (TACHO)
J	1 & 9*	J	1 & 9 $\Delta$	J	11 & 4	J	N/C	J	N/C
K	GND	K	GND	K	GND	K	N/C	K	N/C
L	1 & 9*	L	1 & 9 $\Delta$	L	11 & 4	L	N/C	L	N/C
M	GND	M	GND	M	GND	M	N/C	M	N/C
N	8	N	2 & 9*	N	5	N	N/C	N	N/C
P	8	P	GND	P	GND	P	N/C	P	N/C
R	1 & 9*	R	3 & 9*	R	11	R	N/C	R	N/C
S	GND	S	GND	S	GND	S	N/C	S	N/C
T	1 & 9 $\Delta$	T	3 & 9*	T	11	T	N/C	T	N/C
U	GND	U	GND	U	N/C	U	N/C	U	N/C
V	N/C	V	N/C	V	N/C	V	N/C	V	N/C

For \* Value of d.c. voltage is  $\pm 3.5$  volts $\Delta$  " " " "  $\pm 0.5$  volts. " " " "  $\pm 0.6$  voltsTEST AND CALIBRATION UNIT OUTPUT CONNECTOR  
PIN ALLOCATIONS.

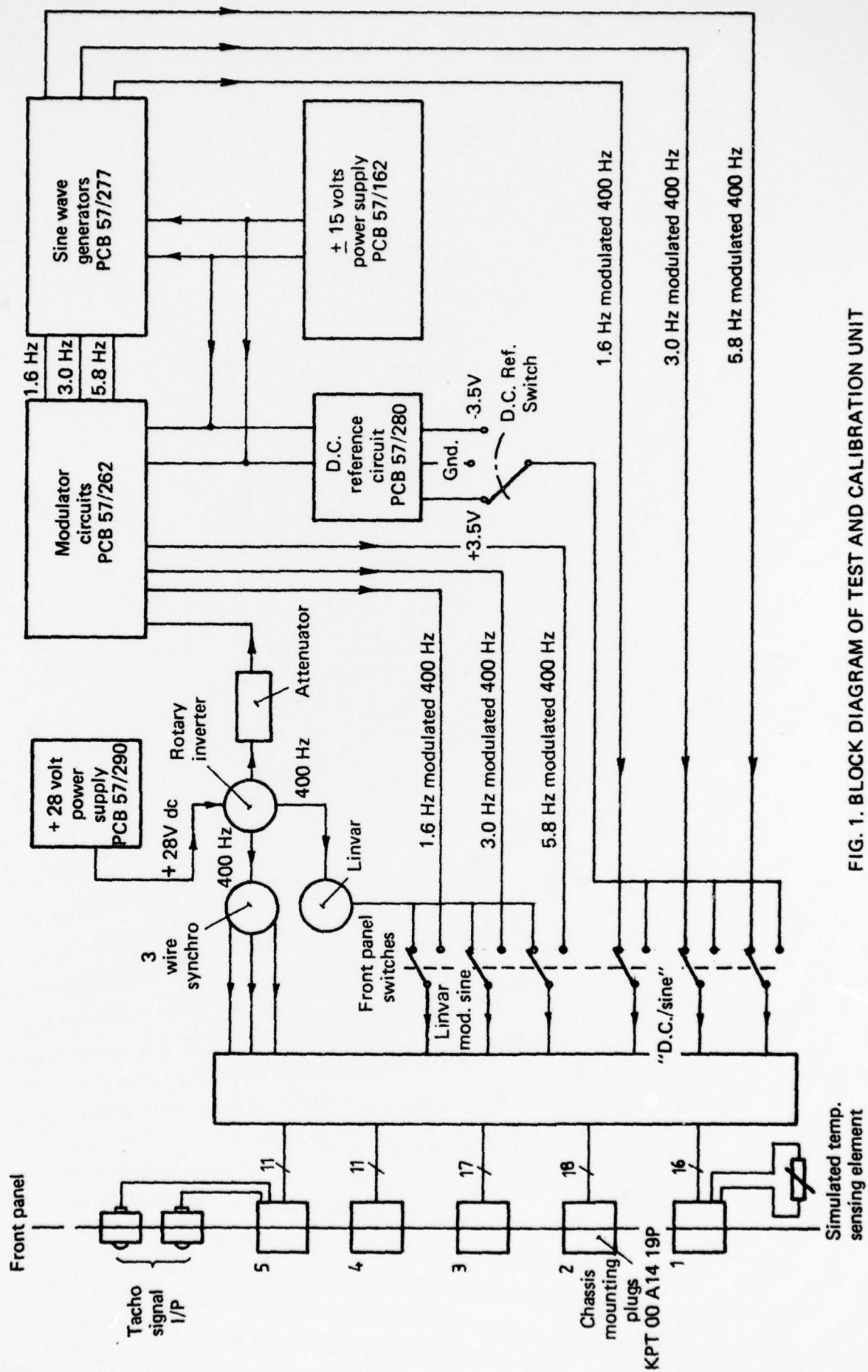
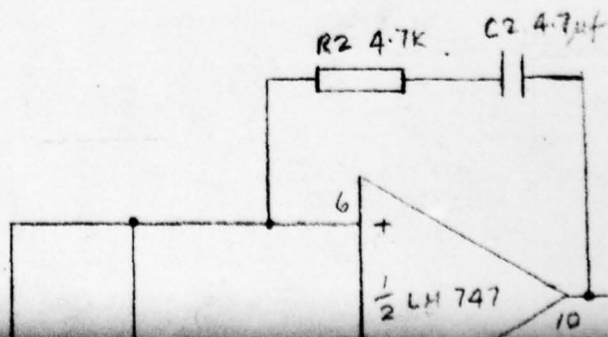
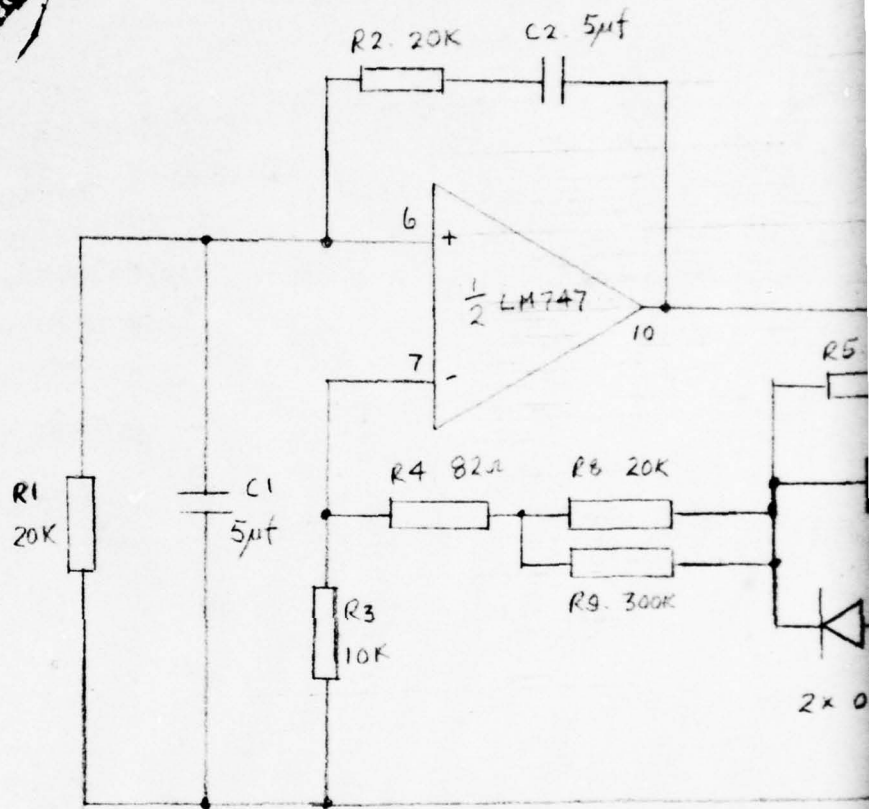
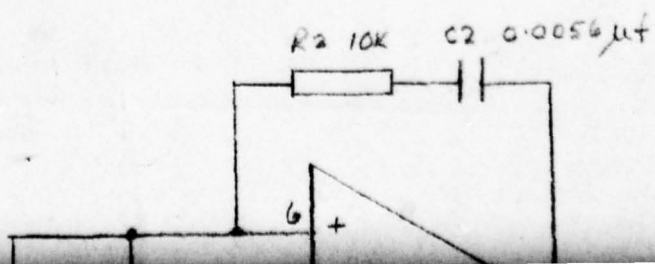
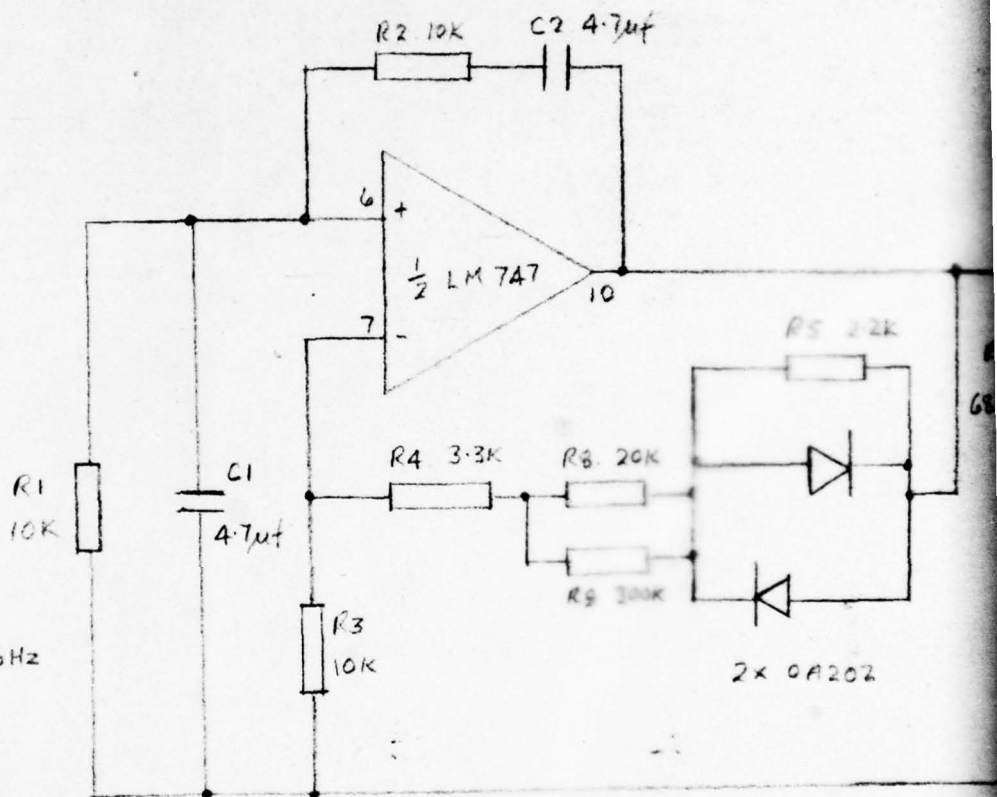
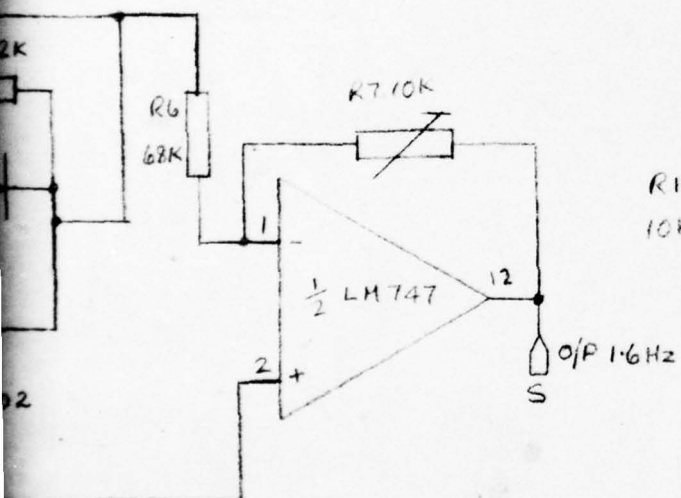


FIG. 1. BLOCK DIAGRAM OF TEST AND CALIBRATION UNIT

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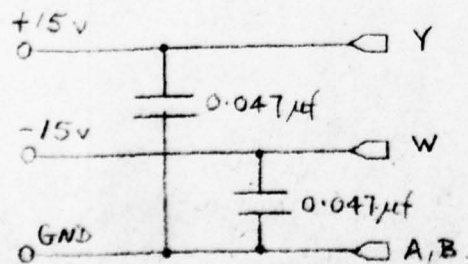
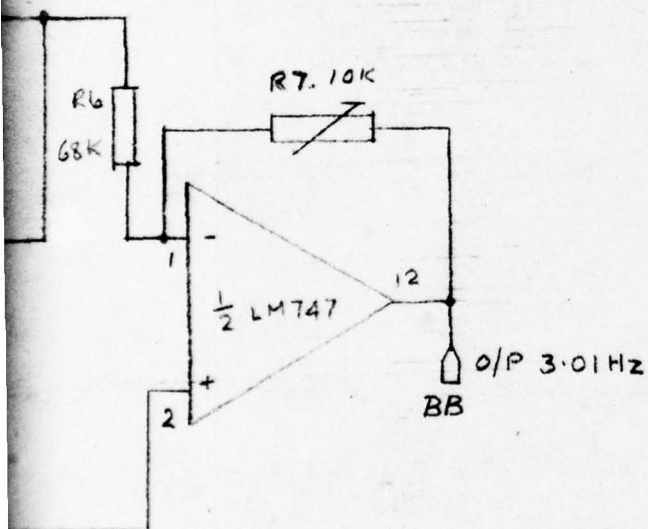




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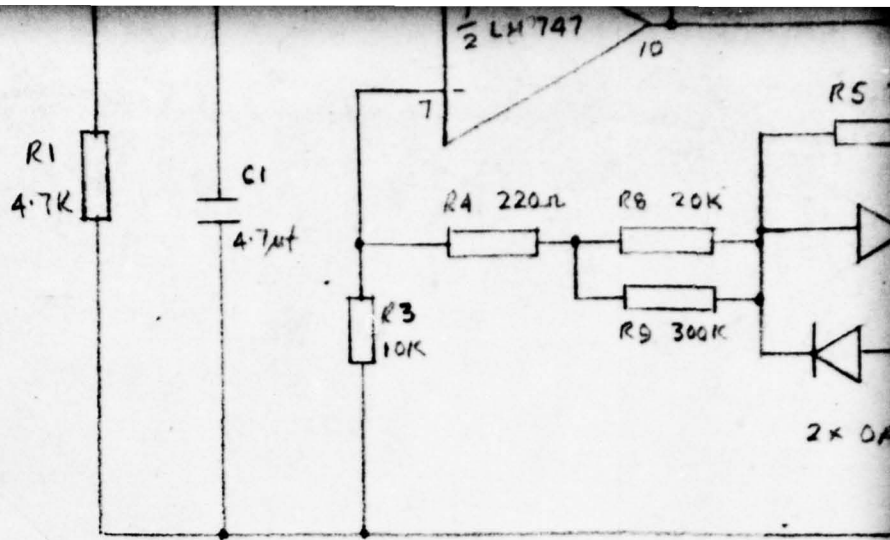
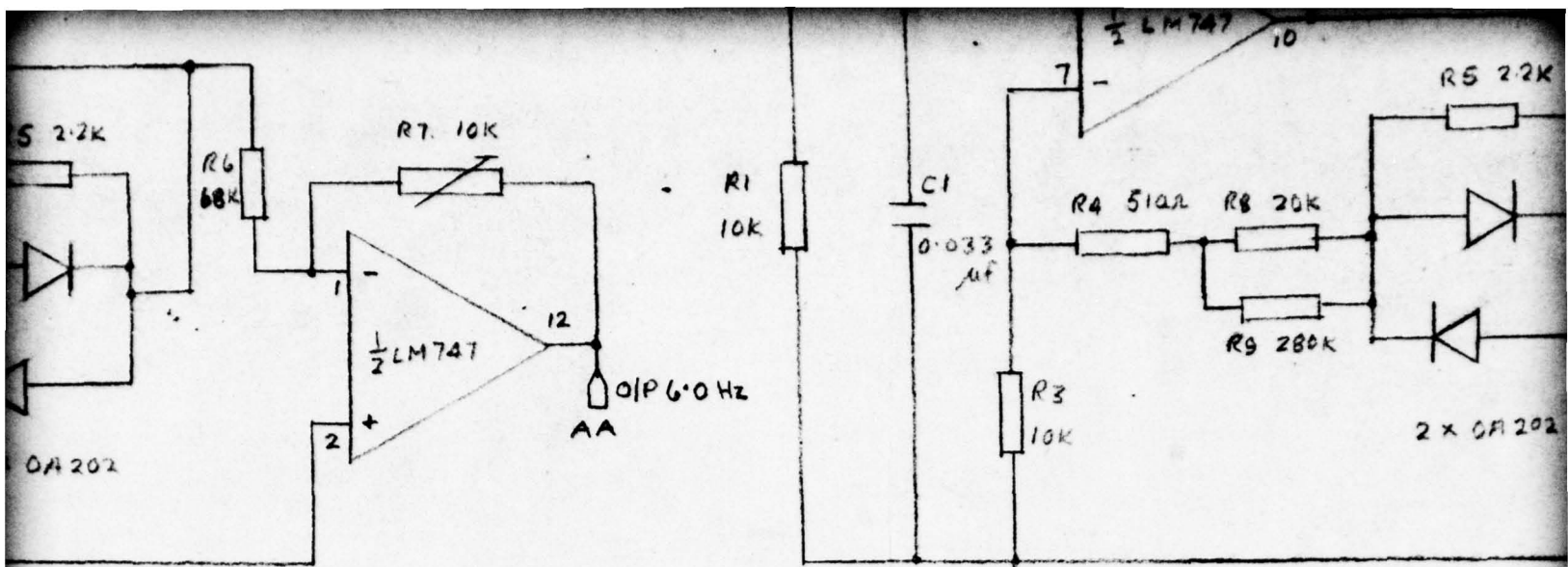



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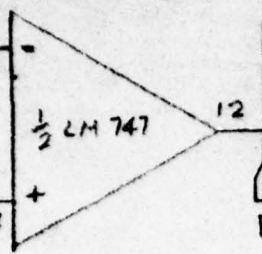


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WEIN BRIDGE OSCILLATORS

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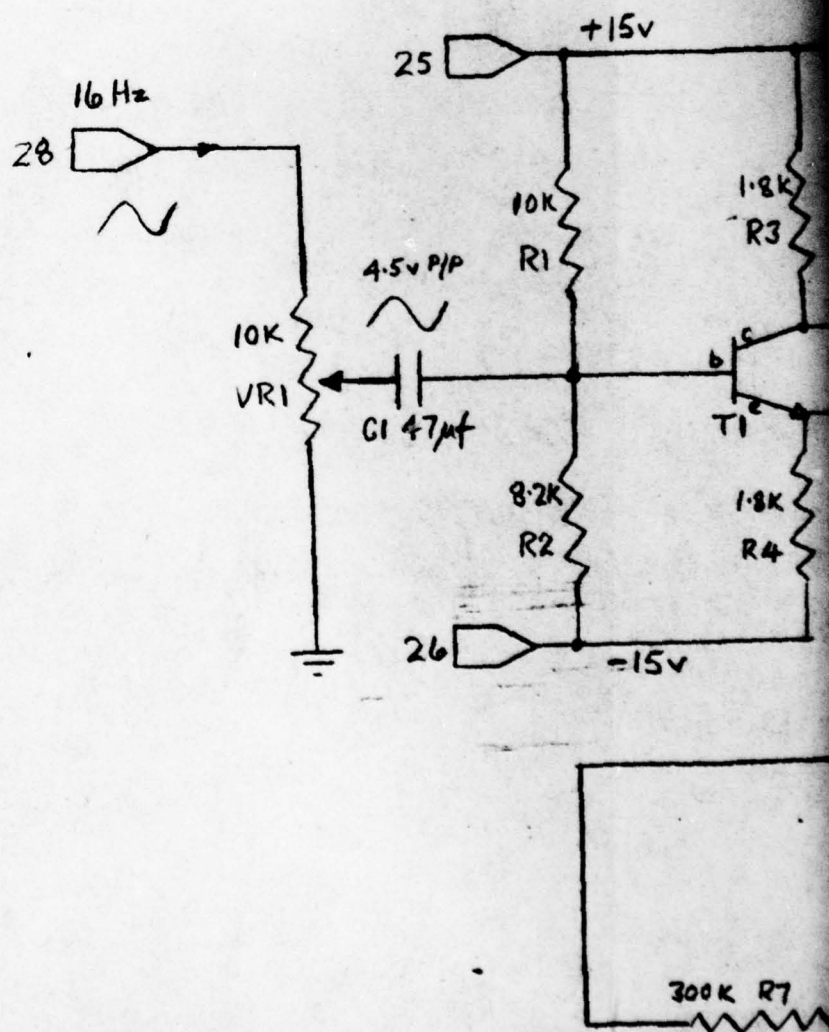


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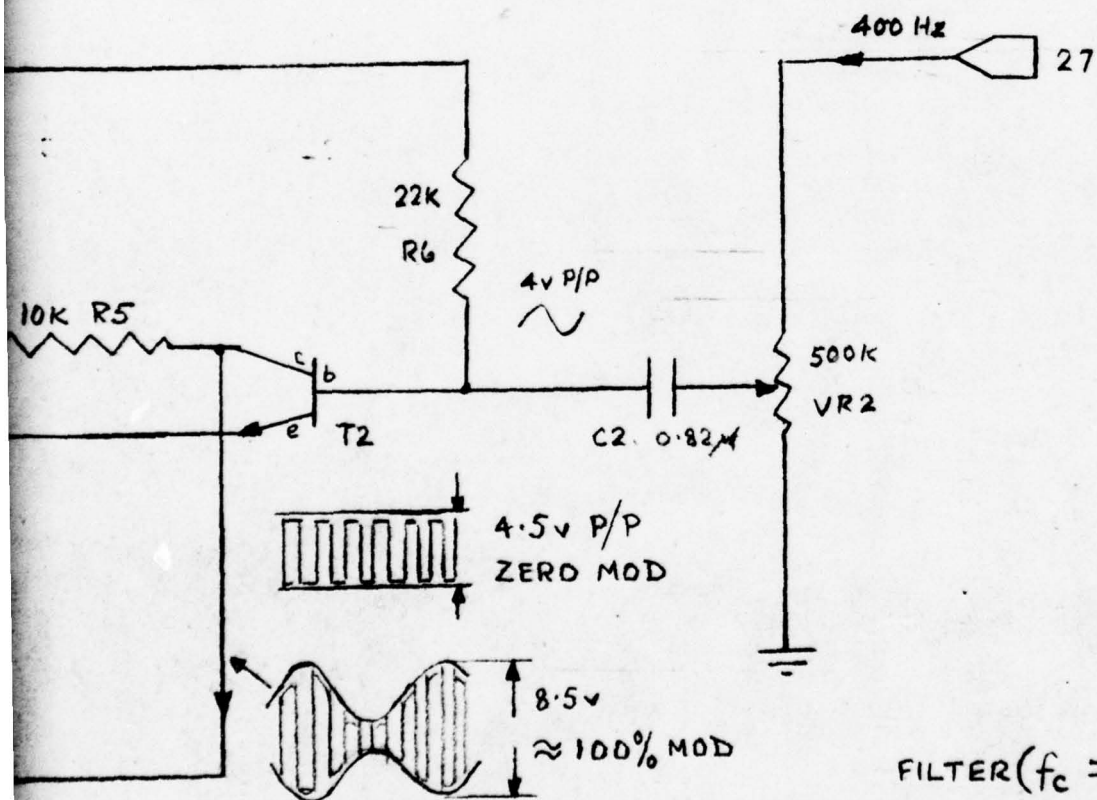
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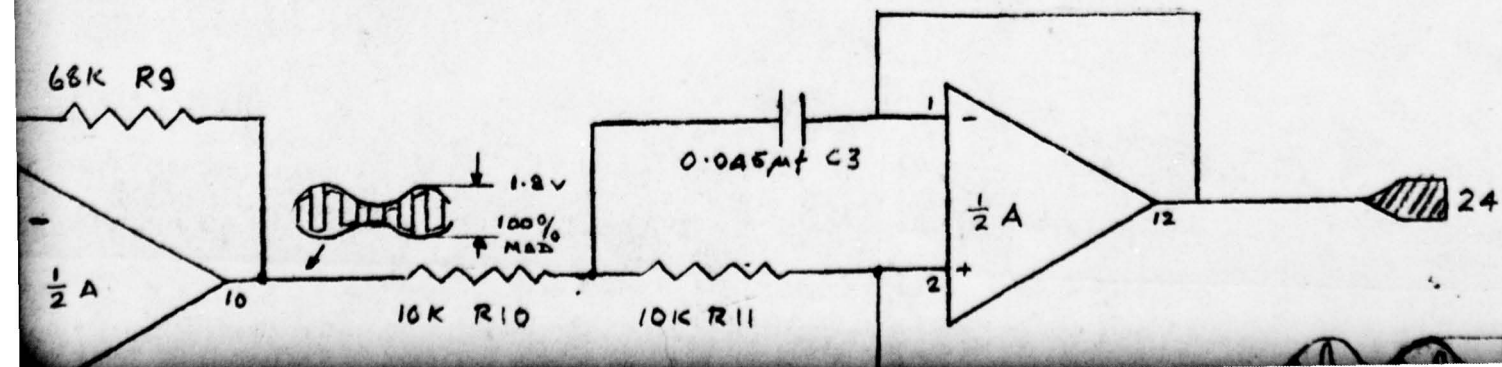
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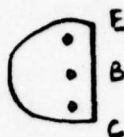


300K R7

1.8K

R8

BOTTOM  
VIEW  
(T1 & T2)



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T1, T2	AY 1103	-	-

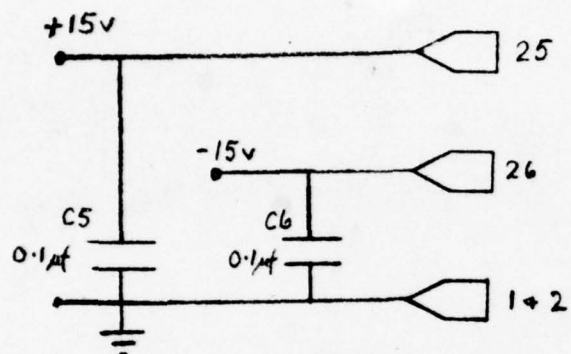
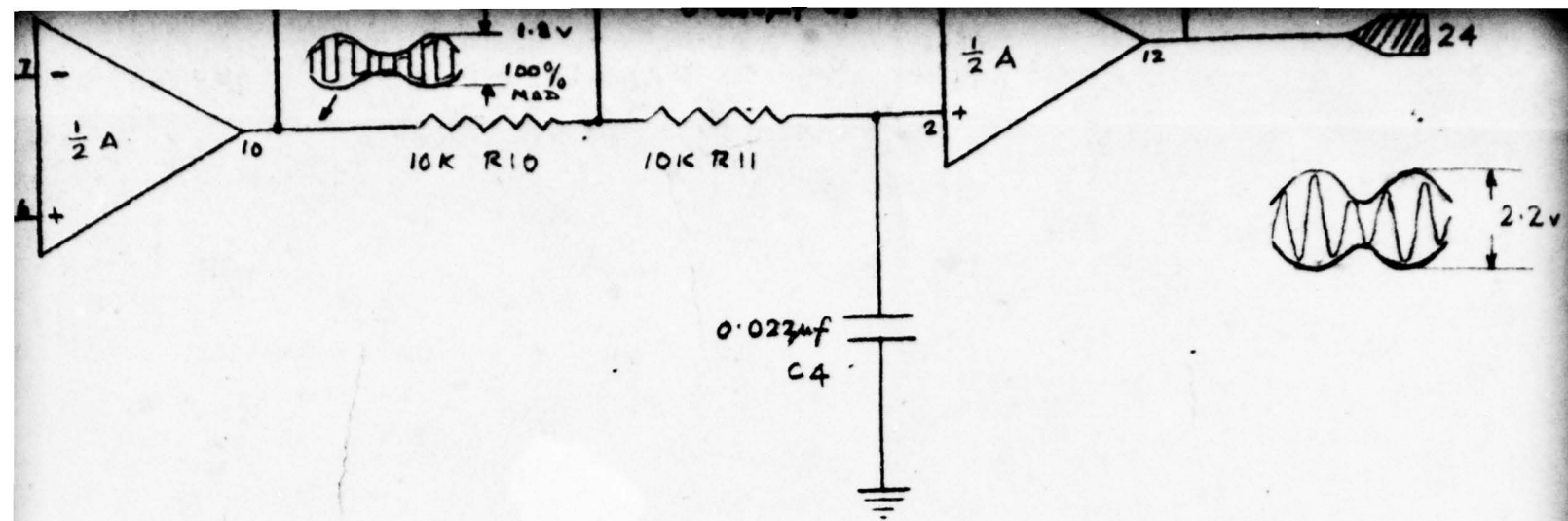
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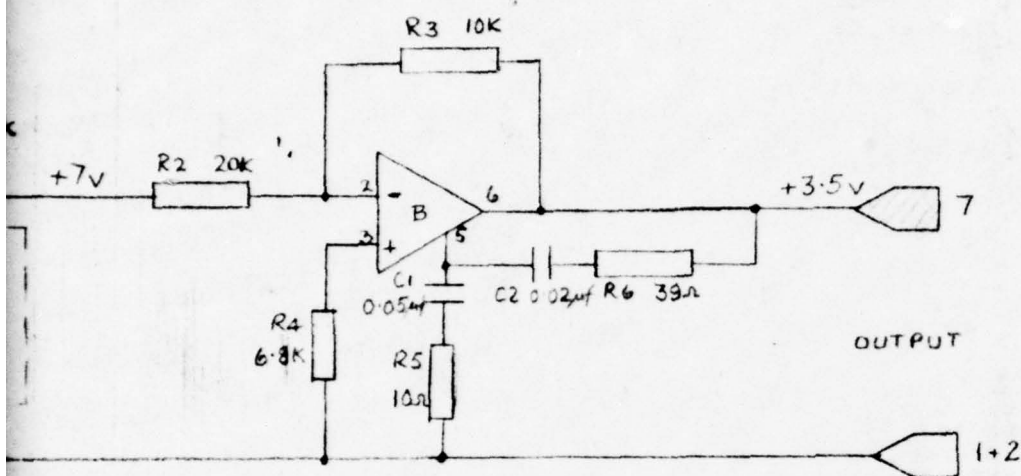
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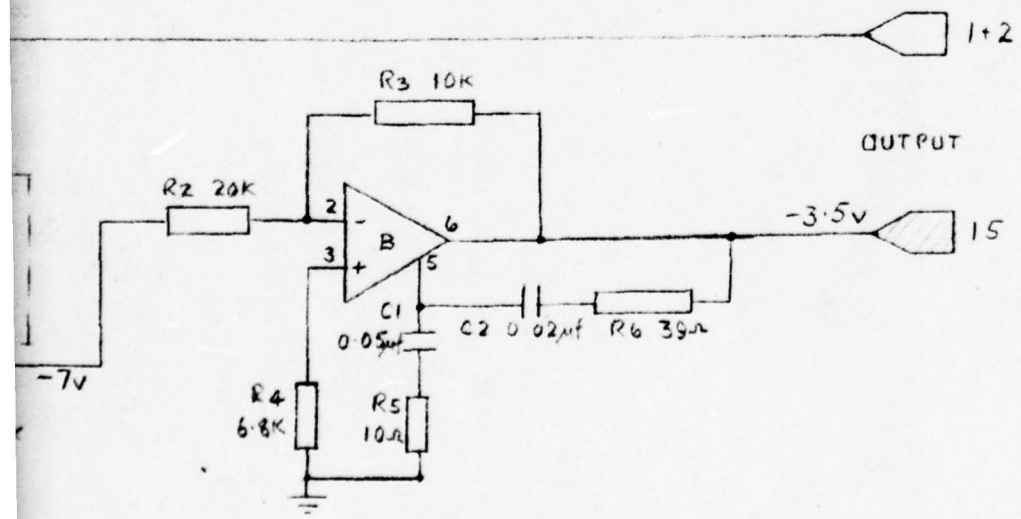
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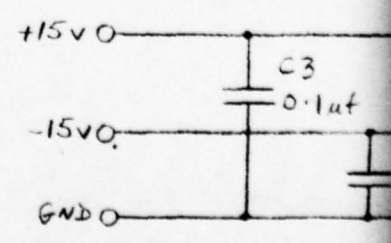




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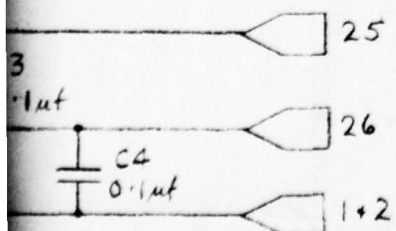
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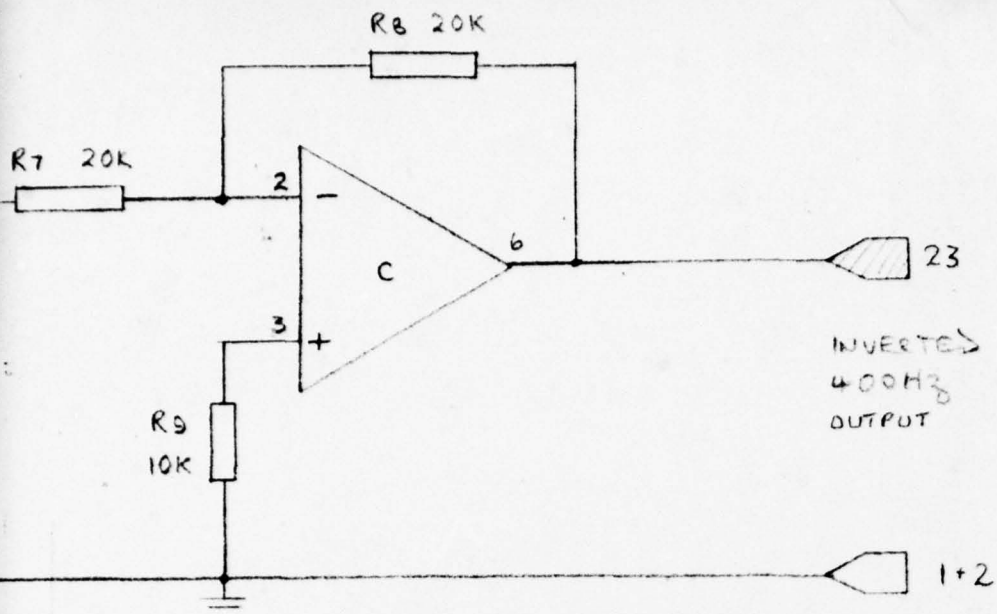
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		+15V	-15V
A	LM399		
B	LM725	7	4
C	LM741	7	4

BOARD SIZE M8

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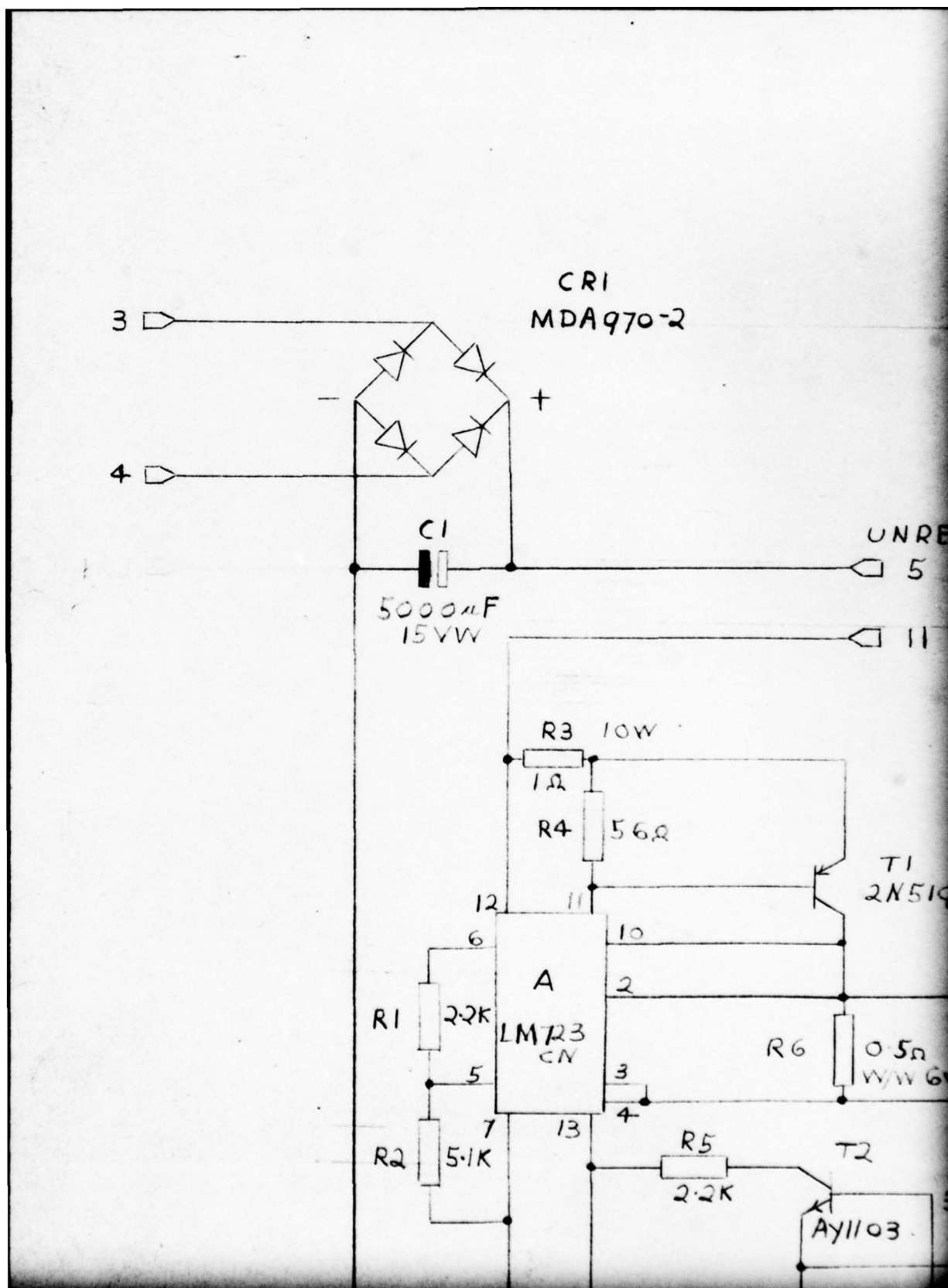
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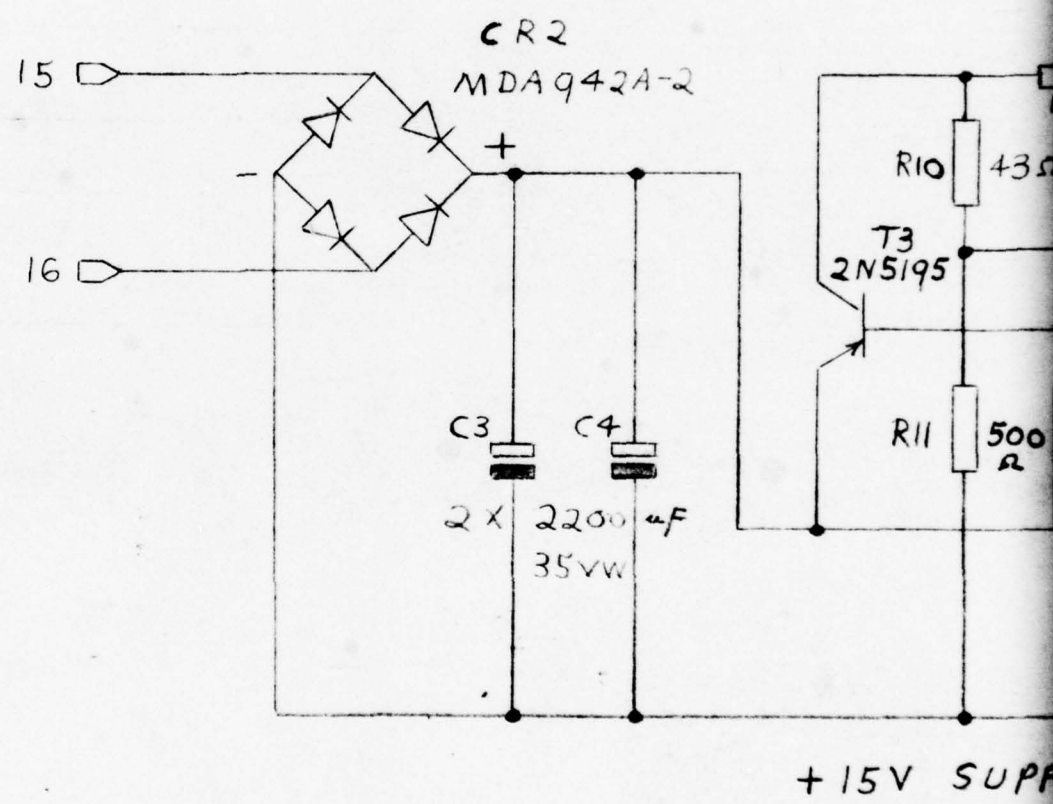
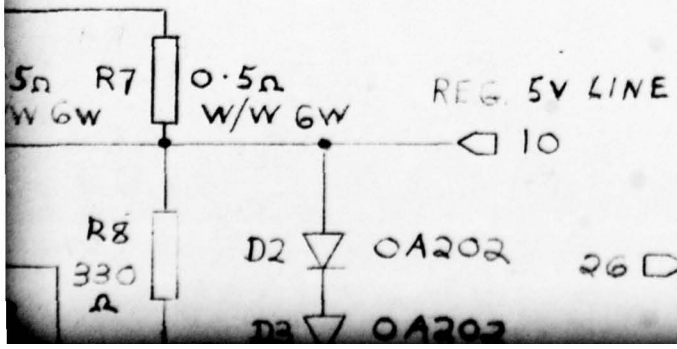
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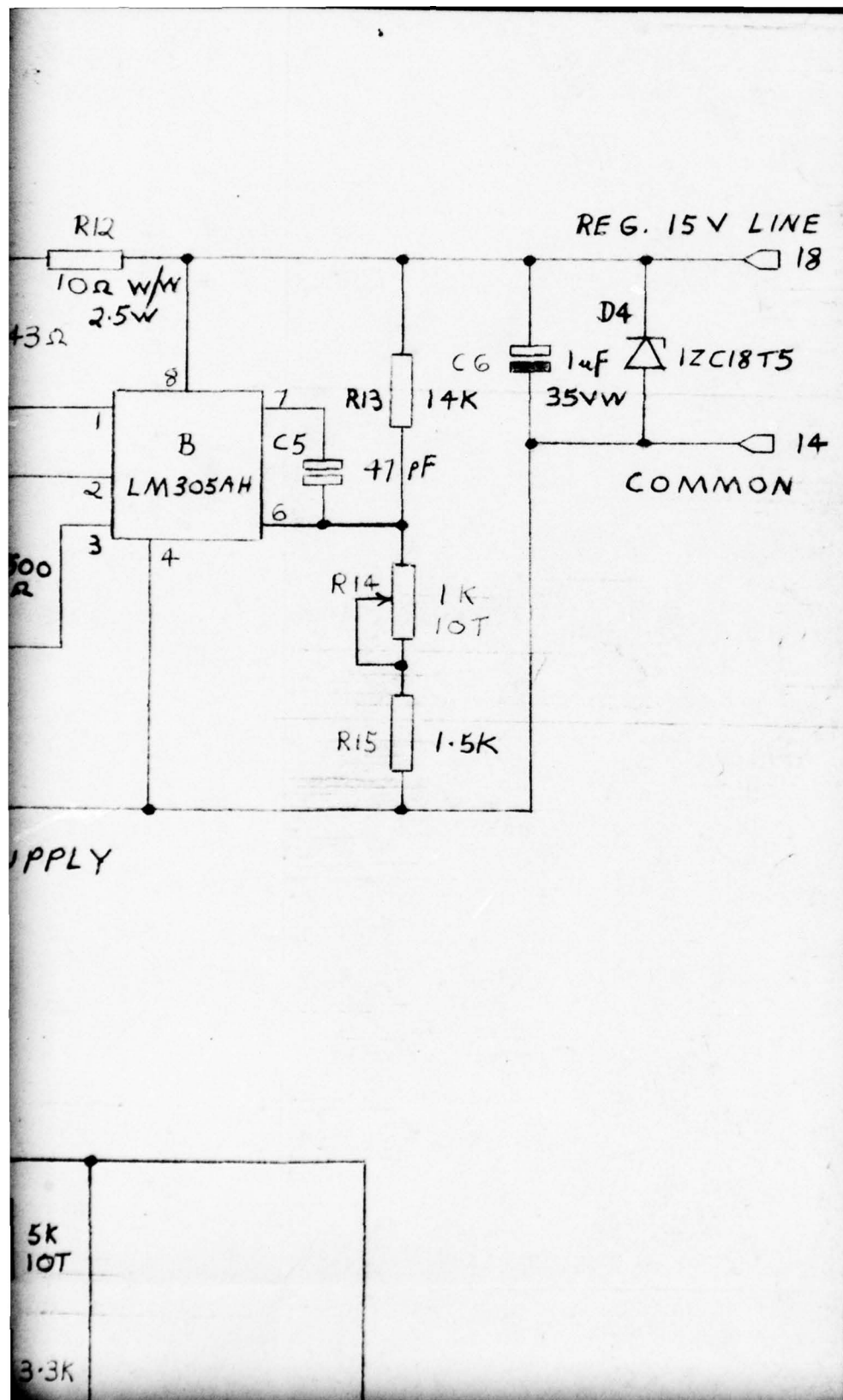
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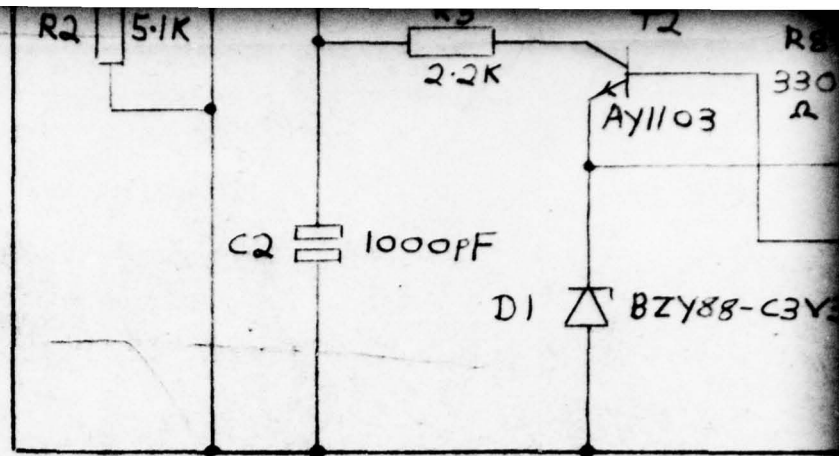


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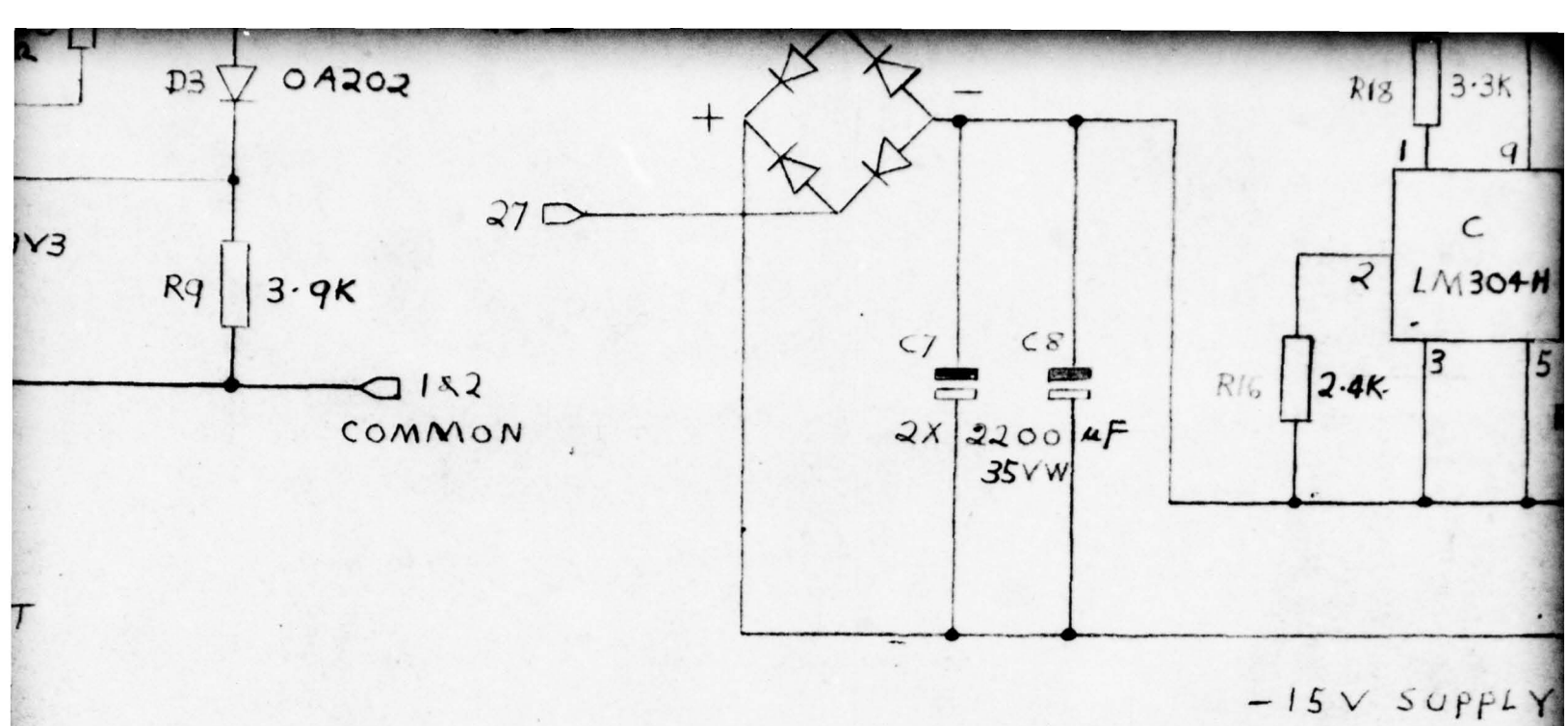
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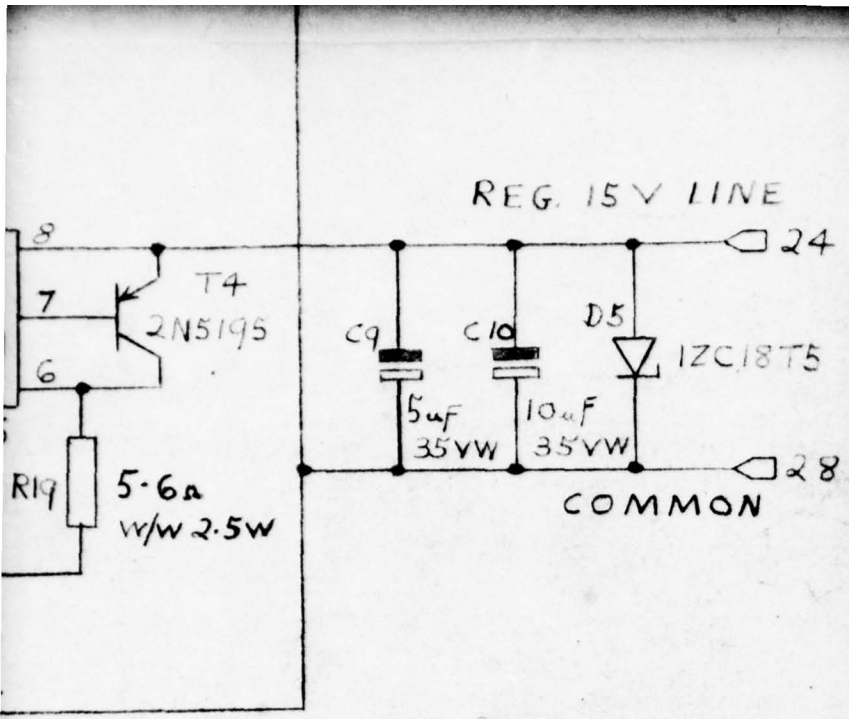
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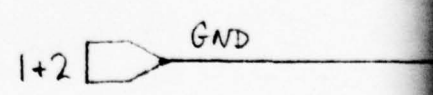
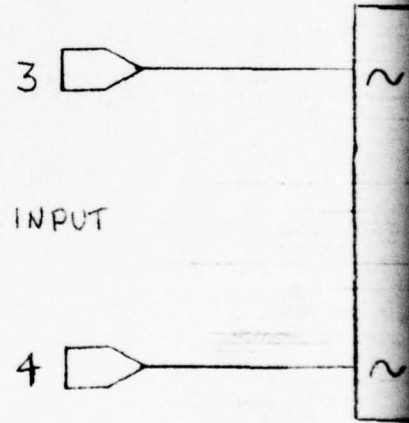
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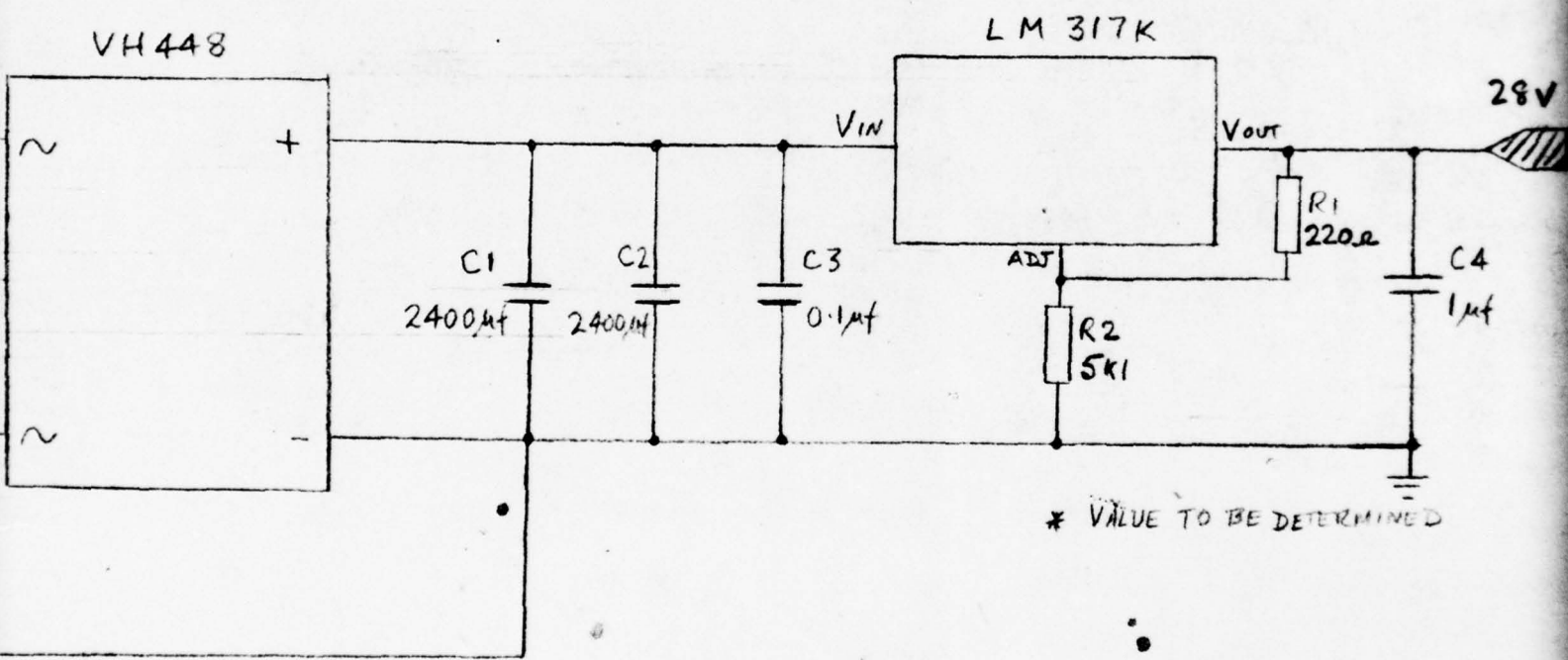


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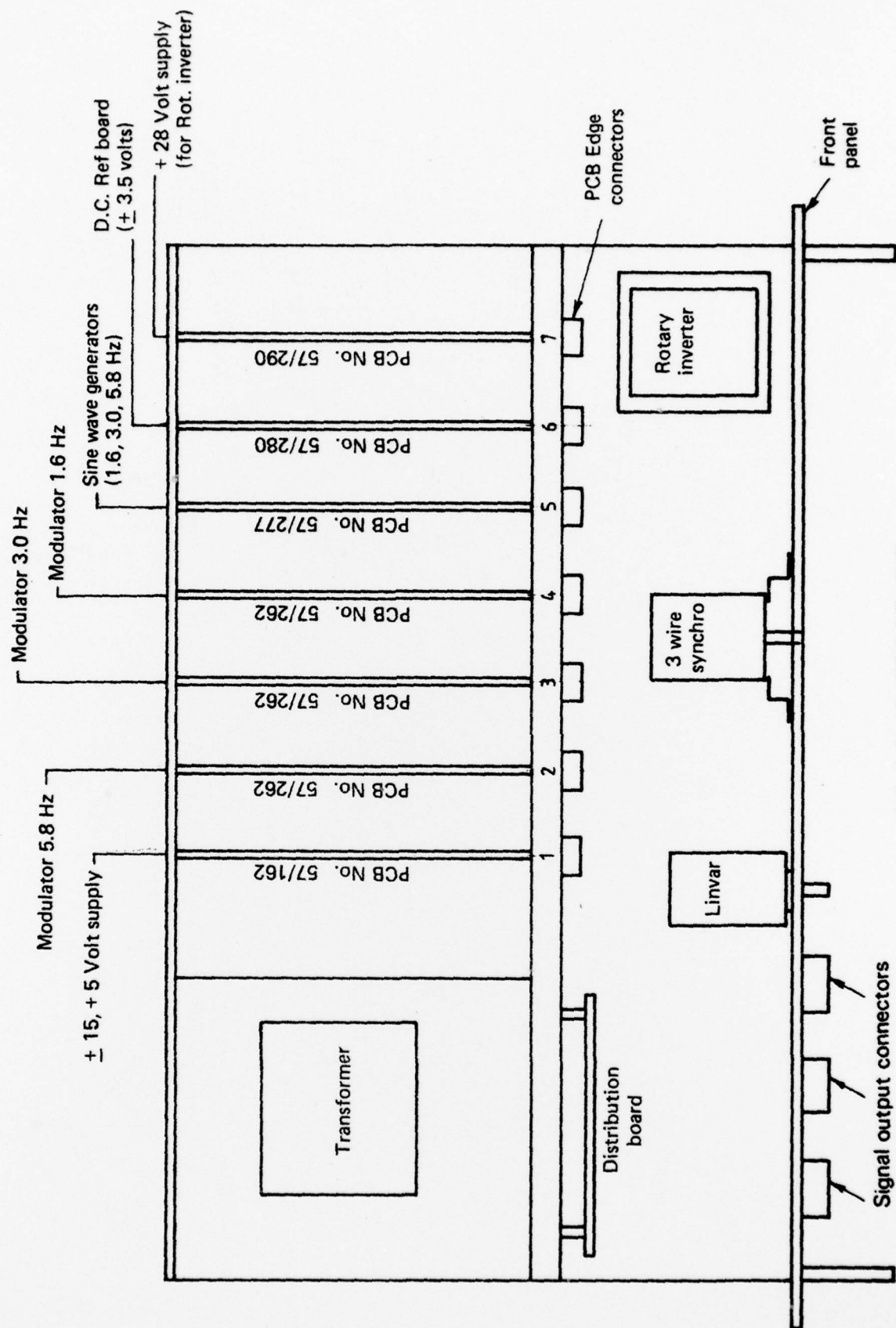
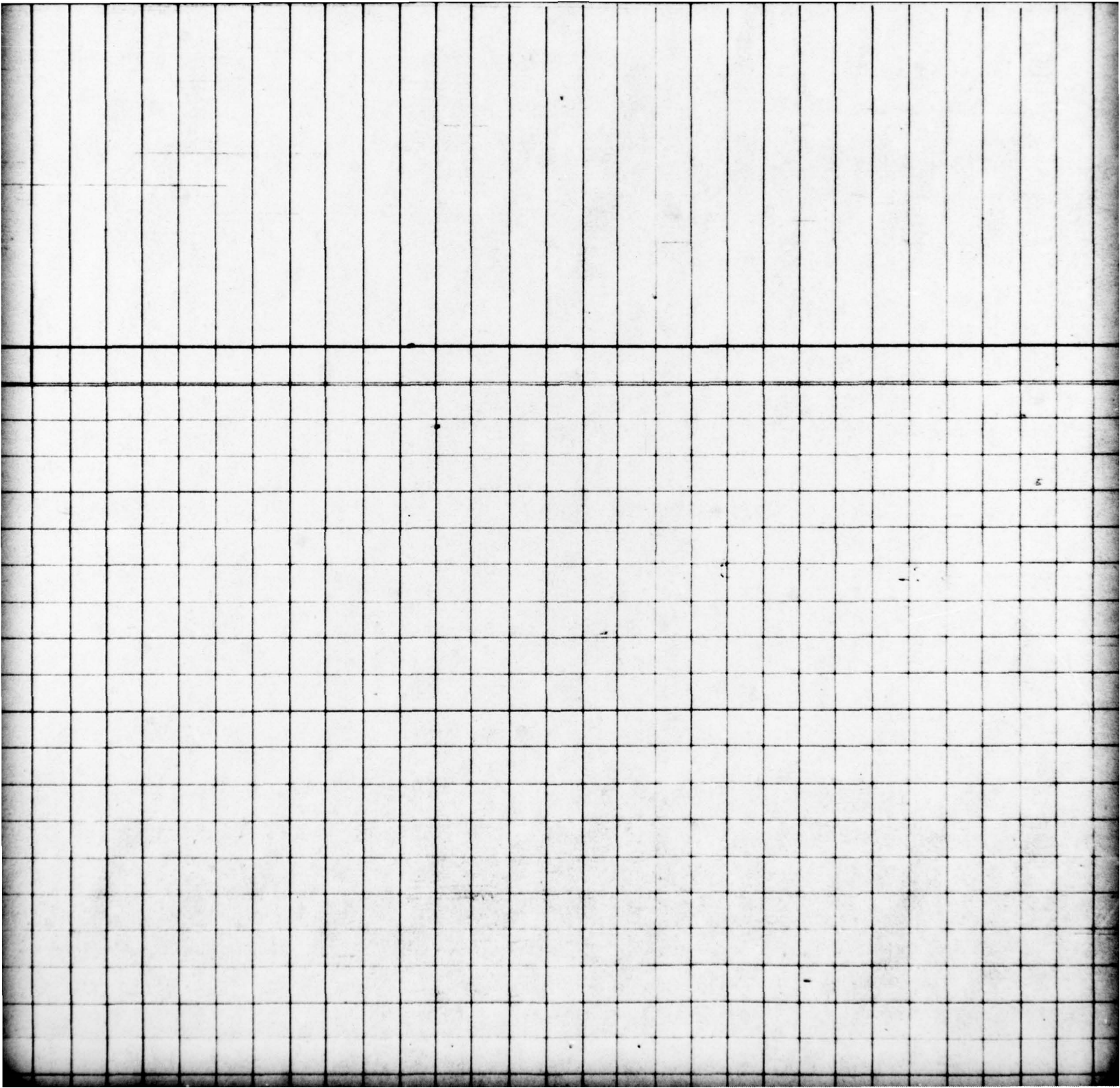


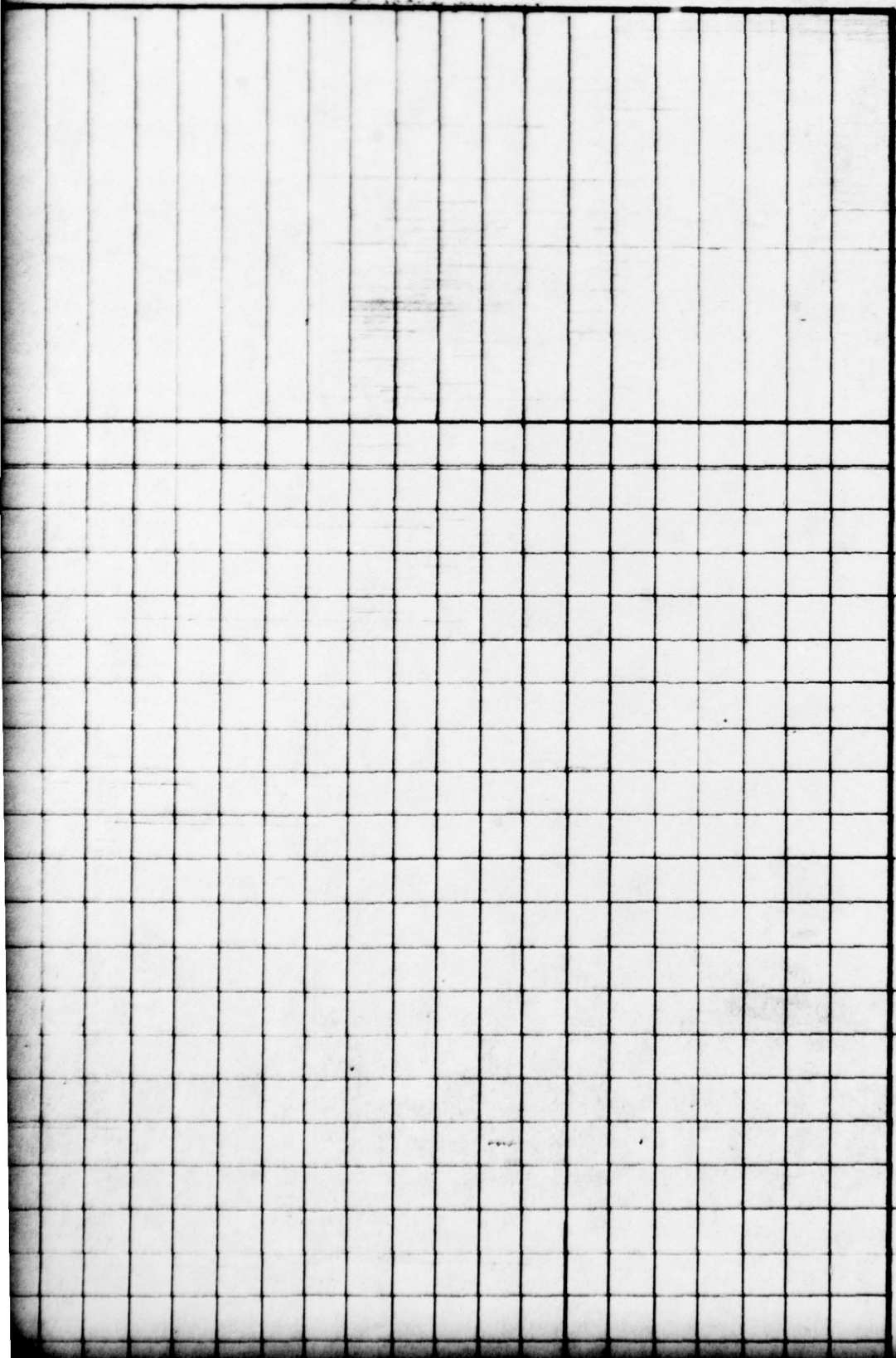
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CONNECTOR IDENT. NO	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
GND	1	1	1	1	A	1	1
"	2	2	2	2	B	2	2
A.C. (9V RMS)	3						
A.C. (9V RMS)	4						
UNREG. D.C.	5/11						
+5 VOLT (NOTES)	10						
COMMON (+15V)	14						
AC. (12V RMS)	15						
AC. (12V RMS)	16						
+15V	18	25	25	25	Y	25	
-15V	24	26	26	26	N	26	
A.C. (12V RMS)	26						
A.C. (12V RMS)	27						
COMMON (-15V)	28						
400 Hz ROT. INVERTER		27	27	27			
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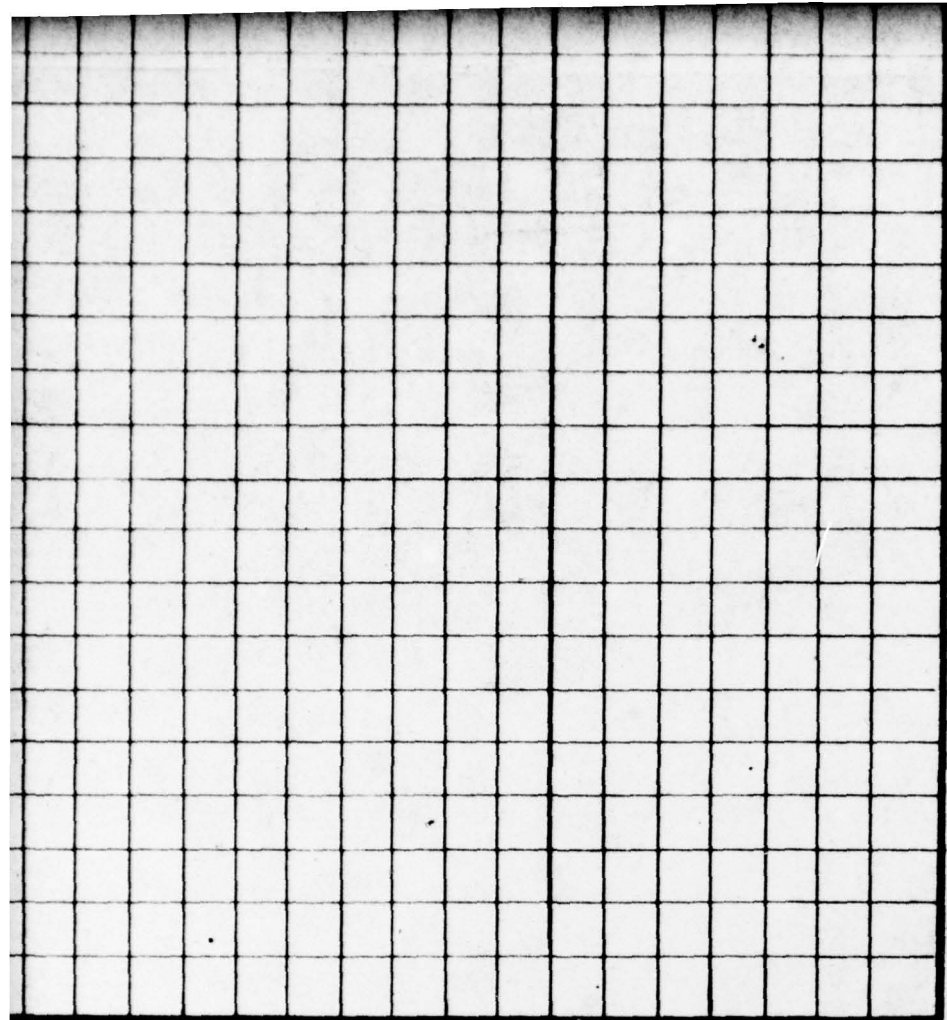




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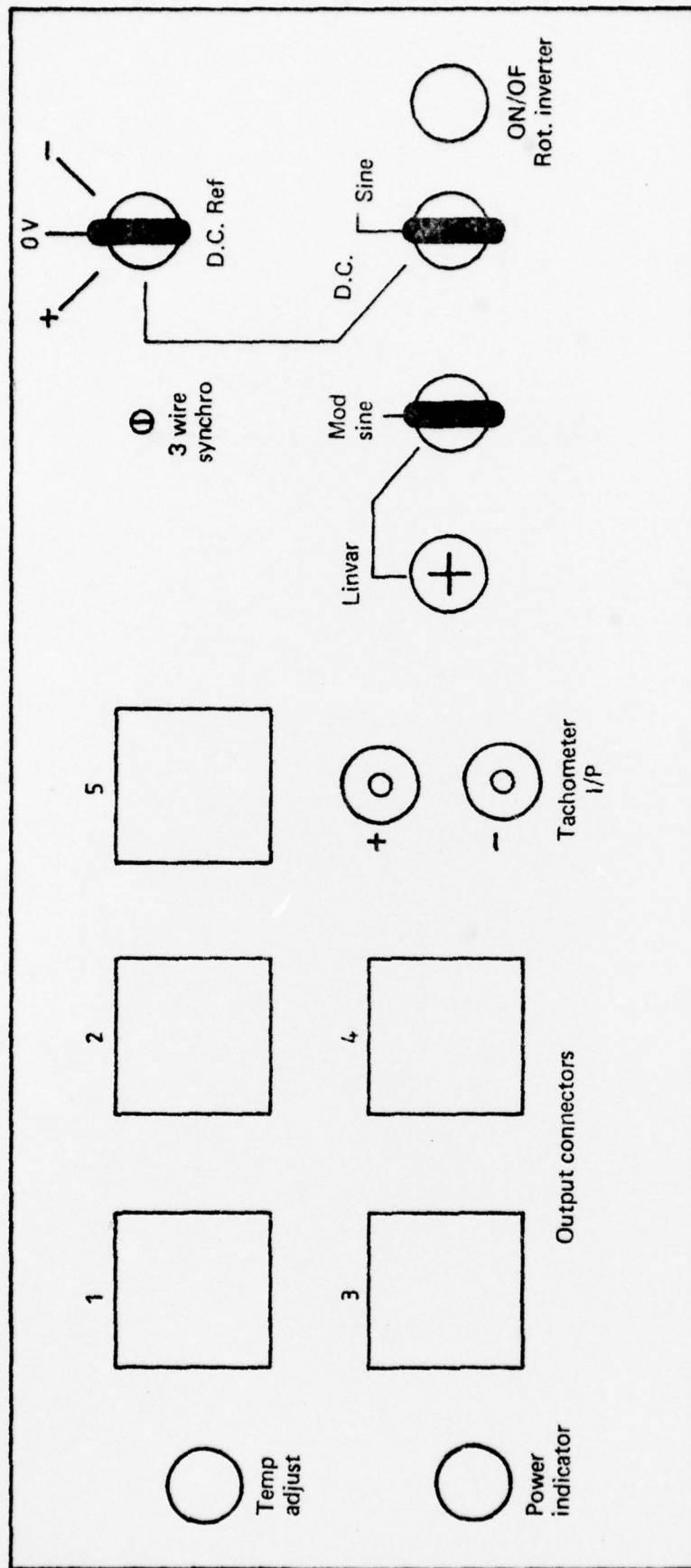


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This unit was constructed specifically for the purpose of testing and calibrating the Aerodynamics Division Airborne Data Acquisition Package. The unit consists of sine wave generators, modulators and miscellaneous circuits which generate test signal outputs for checking the data acquisition system.



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